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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 1877.

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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON :- F. ALGAB, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 80, Cornhill. Gordon & Gotch, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DEAGON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. NEW YORK :-- AMDREW WIND, 188, Nas-

sau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :-GORDON & GOTCH, Mel-

bourne and Sydney. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally:-Bran & Black, San Fran-

CHINA: -Swatow, Quelon & Campbell, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foodhow, HEDGE & Co. Shanghai. LAME, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH. Manila, C. HEINSEEN & Co. the 25th April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., Macao, L. A. DA GRAGA.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... 5,000,000 Dollars. RISBRYE FUND, 500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-H. Hoppius, Esq.

Deputy Chairman-F. D. Sassoon, Esq. E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. | WILHELM REINERS, W. H. FORBES, Esq. Hop, W. KESWICK. ED. Tobin, Esq. A. Molymb, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong. . . Thomas Jackson, Esq. Manager.

Shanghai, . . Ewen Camenon, Esq. LONDON BANKERS, -London and County Banke

HONGKONG.

INTERNST ALLOWED IN Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily

On Fixed Deposits : -For 3 months, 2 per cent, per annum. 4 per cent. 5 per cent, 11

LOCAL BILLS DISCOURTED. Gredits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banaing and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the

Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON, Ohief Manager Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Bast. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

chief Commercial places in Europe, India,

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TATE have This Day Opened a Branch of our Firm at SHANGHAL. Mr CARL KREBS has been admitted Partner from This Date.

MELCHERS & Co. Hongkong, April 12, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has been appointed AGENT at Hongkong and its vielnity for "THE BOSTON BOARD OF MARINE UNDERWRITERS," by Power of Attorney, dated Boston, U. S., 1st March, 1877. T. G. LINSTEAD.

Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

NOTICE.

WILHELM CARL ENGEL. BREOHT VON PUSTAU, Junior, and Mr CONRAD MUNROE DONNER. have been admitted Partners in our Firm from the First of January, 1877.

WM. PUSTAU & Co., Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai. Hongkong, April 16, 1877.

NOTICE. TIR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the Business of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony.

R. H. CAIRNS, Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyds Register of Shipping. of the hammer.

2, Club Chambers,

Hongkong, March 17, 1877.

NOTICE.

TITE have This Day Established a Branch of our Firm at Shanghat under the Management of Mr Alfred F. O. KRAUSS, who will sign for us by Procuration. . CARLOWITZ & Co.

Canton and Hongkong, April 1, 1877.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY. ON and after the 16th day of November,

1878, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above named DISPEN. SARY will be carried on by the Underaigned. WM. ORUICKSHANK,

Manager.

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE. HAVE This Day Established myself as SHIPPING BRUKER at this Port, Chs.

W. H. SIEGFRIED. Bongkong, April 20, 1877.

Auctions.

FURNITURE SALE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

at No. 31, Queen's Road,-SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNI-TURE, comprising: Damask Covered Chairs, Couches, Pictures, Mirrors, Glass and Crookery Ware, Sideboard, Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Toilet Glasses.

TERMS OF SALE .- Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7 All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, April 23, 1877. POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

HANDSOME ENGLISH & VENETIAN-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, OIL PAINTINGS, GLASS-WARE,

PLATED WARE,

THE Undersigned has received instructions from F. Peil, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, (previous to his departure for Shanghai), on

MONDAY. the 30th day of April, 1877, at 2 o'clock

p.m., (instead of on the day previously advertised), at his Residence, No. Praya East,—

The whole of his HANDSOME ENGLISH and VENETIAN-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:-English-made Suite of Furniture.

Covered with Green Damask. Venetian Inlaid Blackwood Table and Chairs, Blackwood Carved Side Tables, Carpet, Hearthrugs, Rep Window Curtains, &c., &c.

Richly Carved Oak Sideboard, Richly Carved Oak-Framed Pier Glass and Flower Stands, Dining Table, Buffet, Whatnots, and Dinner Trays.

Oil Paintings, Oil Cloth, and Clocks. Dinner and Dessert Sets, Glass-ware, Plated-ware, &c., &c.

Library Oak Book-case and Desks, Inlaid Blackwood Lady's Desk, Tables, Chairs, Easy Chairs, and Chess Table. Brass Bedsteads, English-made Mahogany Marble-top Dressing Table and

Washstand, Wardrobe, with Plate Glass Door, Cheval Glass, &c. Gasaliers, Gas Brackets, Stair Carpet,

with Brass Stair Rods, Marble-top Tables, Bronze Statuettes, &c. Office Furniture, comprising :- Desks,

Chairs, Paper Press, Copying Press, Fireproof Safe, &c., &c. One HOUSE BOAT and One SKIFF

After which, at the Godown,-10 Tons ARTIFICIAL MANURE SAW MILL, by Forrest & Bare, Engineers, Glasgow.

1 TURNING LATHE and various MACHINERY.

At the Yard of Mesers Inglis & Co. . ap28

One 12-H.P. TWIN SOREW ENGINE. Catalogues will be issued, and the

whole to be on view on the day of Sale. TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctionser. Hongkong, April 11, 1877.

Intimations.

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-

CINES AND PERFUMES. Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, Near the Conton Steamer's Whart, Hongkong, July 13, 1870.

Intimations.

HONGKONG.

GAUPP & Co. WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,

38, Queen's Road, NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, OMETERS,

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee. All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

TANJONG

PAGAR DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED SINGAPORE.

HE BUSINESS of this Company was Resumed immediately after the FIRE. Vessels will obtain the usual Despatch and Coal Supplies. E. M. SMITH

Manager. April 23, 1877.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE Co. 1875—1877.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of One Hundred Taels (Tis. 100) per SHARE, Sanctioned THE above Steamer was Built in Glasat the General Meeting of Shareholders, Held on the 9th Inst., will be Payable at | Co., under special survey of LLoyds', and the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on Her MACHINERY and BOILER were and after FRIDAY, 18th April, 1877.

tributory Accounts.

By Order of the Court of Directors, HERBERT'S. MORRIS, Secretary.

Shanghai, April 10, 1877.

A HONGKONG. MONSIEUR A. SIENKIEWICZ, Consul de France à Maite, a remis anjour d'hui à Monsieur G. BOULOUZE, Chancelier, le Service du Consulat de France à Hongkong et Macao. Le 16 Avril, 1877.

CONSULAT DE FRANCE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTOY.

ATOTICE .- GEORGE FRANK GRAHAM, at present residing at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, Master Mariner, having been adjudged BANK-RUPT under a Petition for adjudication of Bankruptcy, filed in the Supreme Court of Hongkong in Bankruptcy, on the 16th day of April, A.D. 1877, is hereby required to surrender himself to FREDERIC SOWLEY HUFFAM, Esquire, the Acting Registrar of the said Court, at the first Meeting of the Creditors, to be held before the said Acting. Registrar, on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd day of May, A.D. 1877, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon of that day precisely, at the said

The said FREDERICK SOWLEY HUFFAM, Esquire, is the Official Assignee, and the Undersigned are the Solicitors acting in the

A Public Sitting will hereafter be appoint ed by the said Court for the said Bankrupt to pass his final examination, and to make application for his discharge, of which sitting notice will be given in the Hongkong

Government Gazette. At the first Meeting of Creditors the Acting Registrar will receive the proofs of the Debts of Creditors, and the Creditors may choose an Assignee or Assignees of the Bankrupt's Estate and Effects.

Notice is also hereby given to all Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, not to deliver the same, but to the Official Assignee. Dated this 21st day of April, 1677

SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON, Solicitors for the Bankrupt, Supreme Court House.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CHURCH. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF

BEAT HOLDERS.

THE Annual General MEETING of the SEAT-HOLDERS of ST, JOHN'S' OATHEDRAL CHURCH, will be Held at the VESTRY on THURSDAY, the 26th day of April instant, at 4.80 p.m., for the purpose of electing two Trustees for the ensiting year, and for passing the Accounts of the Tressurer, under the provisions of Clauses and 16 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1847. Applications for Sittings may be trade to

EDMUND SHARP, Trustee & Treasurer to the Body of Trustees. Speneke Cover House,

Hongkong, April 19, 1877.

Hongkong, March 19, 1977,

the Undersigned:

TOWONG HING CHEUNG & Co., COAL MERCHANTS. Have always on hand for Sale svery | Capacity description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr Anyon has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to blin at 57, Prays, or to Mr Far Jack, at 80, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE. R. STOUT Intends visiting JAPAN shortly, and would be glad if those who wish to Consult him professionally would make an appointment for an Early

HOURS FOR CONSULTATION: 8 s.m. to 4 p.m. No. 1, Alexandra Terrace.

Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

AH YON, COMPRADORE AND tt. SHIPS'

STEVEDORE, No. 57, Praya West. SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORESO (Ballet & B)

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

for Sale.

FOR SALE, THE IRON SCREW STEAMER "ALBAY."

gow in 1872 by Messrs Dobuie & made by Messrs James Howden & Co., Warrants for the Return on Premia for | under special inspection. She was conthe Year 1876 will be issued shortly, on structed to carry a large Cargo on a light completion of the adjustment of the Con- draft of water and is well adapted for the Philippine, China, or Japan trade. She underwent general Repairs in 1875, when New SAILS, RIGGING, and a complete outfit were supplied by the Hongkong and WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, and in March of the present year her Engines and Boiler were thoroughly overhauled.

> DIMENSIONS. - Length between Perpendiculars, 170 feet. Beam, 26 feet 3 inches. Depth of Hold from Ceiling to Main Deck, 9 feet 5 inches, Height from Main Deck to under side of Awning Deck, 7 feet 41

GROSS TONNAGE. -- 550 Tons. CLASS .- Built to Class 100 A at Lloyds . Rig.-Brig Rigged.

CARGO CAPACITY. - About 9,000 picula, or 625 tons Measurement (40 feet.) DRAFT. - Light 9 feet : Loaded 124 feet. Speed.-Eight knots on consumption of 81 to 9 tons of coals per 24 hours. BUNKER CAPACITY. - 75 tons coals.

CABIN. - Under Awning Deck aft; saloon, pantry and five state rooms, with accommodation for 12 first-class passengers.

MACHINERY.

Engine .-- A pair of Howden's patent High and Low pressure Engines of 90 Horse Power nominal; Righ Pressure Cylinder 25 inches, and Low Pressure Cylinder 45 inches in diameter: Stroke 30 inches. PROPELLER.-Bessemer Steel of 4 Blades,

WINCH,-One Steam Winch with Donkey Boiler on Deck. Boller,-One Horizontal Tubular Boiler 11 feet diameter, with 3 Furnaces, tested for a working pressure of 60 pounds.

with One Spare Set of Blades.

MORRIS & RAY. Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE. MARINE ENGINE of 20 Horse Power Nominal, High and Low Prossure, with Extra Surface Condenses and TUBULAR BOILER. Consumption,

Tons per 24 Hours. The Engine is quite new; was manufactured by Mesara Matthew Paul & Co., Dumbarton, and is now deposited in the Godown of the late firm of Russell &

Sturgis, Manila. MORRIS & RAY,

Hengkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE. OUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s Celebrated

Apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

FOR SALE.

ap26 THE BRITISH BARQUE "EVENING STAR," 871 Tons Register.

> 680 tons deadweight. 800 ,, of 40 cubic feet 400,000 superficial feet of Timber Between Deck Port 88 214 Inches. Lower Port **≈**33×28 ,, THE BORNEO Co., LIMITED,

Agents.

Shipping.

Steamers. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship

spatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 25th Instant, at or about the 20th Instant. Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Captain PITMAN, will be de-

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, April 23, 1877.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG. The Departure of the S. S. for the above Ports is un-THURSDAY, the 26th Instant, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, April 23, 1877. ap26

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Steamer "PANAY,"
GOYONOCHEA, Master, will leave as above on or about WEDNESDAY Next, the 25th Instant.

REMEDIOS & Co., Agenets.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, April 19, 1877. FOR SHANGHAI & HANKOW.

The British Steamship Johnson, Master, will be despatched as above on or about the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

Hongkong, April 16, 1877. FOR COOKTOWN. The British Steamer

"JUAN,"
Capt. STOCK, will have immediate despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 20, 1877. FOR MANILA. The Spanish Steamer Captain Lizarza, will have

For Freight or Passage, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

Sailing Vessels. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark "ALBERT RUSSELL." Captain CARVER, will load here and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, April 20, 1877. FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Bark "ROSETTA MONEIL. Brown, Master, will load hero and will have immediate despatch as above. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, April 14, 1877. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The Russian Bark "RURIK"BURGELAND, Master, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 6, 1877. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "MYSTIC BELLE," PLUMER, Master, will load Noon To-day. here and will have quick

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 10, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 Clipper Ship GARRIOCE, Master, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

Hongkong, April 11, 1877. FOR BATAVIA & SAMARANG.

The British Bark "MARQUIS OF ARGYLL, Captain McNair, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, April 7, 1877.

HOP KEE & Co.

shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MANILA, The Spanish Bark

CEBADA, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSEN & Co. Agente.

Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

nor preight, apply to

Hougkong, April 20, 1877.

Hongkong, March 9, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Clipper Ship "LEUCADIA,"
MEARNS, Mester, will load here and have quick despatch,

MEYER & Co.

FOR LONDON. The British Ship "ANGLO SAXON, J. Harrington, Master, will

load here and have immediate

cur areight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Notices to Consignees.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. SINDH

NOTICE. CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. Indus, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby

Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on. uniese intimation is received from the Consignees, before 11 o'clock To-DAY, request-

informed that their Goods are being

landed and stored at their risk at the

ing it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by he Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Thurs-DAY, the 26th Inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Hongkong, April 19, 1877.

be obtained from this date.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. ZAMBESI. MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the INDUS and SIAM from London, and POONAH from Calcutta, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can

Goods not delivered by the 28th Instant

will be subject to rent. ADAM LIND, Superintendent. Hongkong, April 22, 1877.

H. Schultz, Master, FROM HAMBURG via SINGAPORE. CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the

GERMAN STEAMER FERONIA,

Undersigned, from whence delivery may be Consignees wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Boats alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so, Goods remaining in store after the 27th.

Instant will be subject to rent. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary is given until Bills of Lading will be counternigned by

Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

WH. PUSTAU & Co.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE, THE S. S. Gleneagles, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or

from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary is given before 10 a.m. To-morrow, the dist

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 27th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, April 20, 1877,

For Sale.

FOR SALE, AT EAST POINT. TRESH CALIFORNIA HAY AND Just Received, ex "Mary Whitridge."

Apply to L. L. BUSH. Hongkong, April 19, 1877.

HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet. WHE AMENDED HONG LIST in English and Chinese, containing the Names of all the most important Companies, Institutions and Mercantile Houses in the Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50 per dozen.

At the "China Mail" Office.

NOTIOE.

THE UNDERSIGNED hereby notifies that he is the SOLE OWNER of the Chinese Houses known as WAH YIN Fong, in Staunton Street, erected on Inland Lot No. 157. They are all the Property of YEONG Sul, and nobody else has any interest in them, nor has the Undersigned any Partners in this Estate. He issues this notice to prevent disputes. YEONG SUL

TAI YIK SHOP.

Hongkong, April 19, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

FRIDAY, the 27th April, 1877, at Noon,-Oilman's STORES,—Pickles, Salad Oil, Jams, Jellies, Raisins, Cheese,

Bloaters, &c. Cotton Socks, and Stockings, Sill Umbrellas, Electro-plated Tea Sets, Table Cutlery, Paint Boxes, Pencils, &c.

45 pieces Gilt Mouldings. 10 cases Courvoisier's Brandy. 500 Japanese Fan Knives.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7 The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, April 24, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

HE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (if not previously disposed of by Private

Contract), on TUESDAY. the 8th day of May, 1877, at Noon, at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,-GROUND, Situate at Sow-Kei-Wan,

and Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 128, and abutting on the North side on a Public Street, measuring thereon 31 feet.

On the Southand West side on a Public Street, measuring thereon 125 feet. On the South and East side on a

Public Street, measuring thereon 200 On the North and West side on a Closa (where a Plan for a Public Street

is laid out) Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 124, measuring thereon 150 feet. For further particulars, apply to the

Undersigned TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the hammer. J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctionser Hongkong, April 24, 1877.



STEAM FOR Bingapore, Penang, Point de Galle. Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Vonice, Mcditorranean Ports, Southampton

and London; Madras, Calcutta and Bonnbay.

Australia. FRIE PENISSULAR AND OBJECTAL STRAM The English Contract Packet LOMBAR. NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship LOMBARDY, Captain Hait, will leave

this on SATURDAY, the 5th May, at Noon. For further Particulars, apply to A. LIND, serentendent.

Bongkong, April 24, 1977. Not Responsible for Debts.

Alother the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew

of the following Vessels, during their stay In Hongkong Harbour :--Mystiv Bette, American ship; Captain

David Plumer. Siemssen & Co. Robina, American 8-m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hansen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Roserta McNett, American barque, Captain Brown.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

ARGONAUT, British ship, Captain John Anderson, -Meyer & Co. NYASBA, British ship, Captain W. S. Garriock. Douglas Lapraik & Co. Continue, British Barque, Captain Wm.

Robertson, - Wieler & Co. . Tuttosusonus. British & m. schooner. Captaly Manon, - Wieler & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "DOUGLAS," Captain PITMAN, will be de-

spatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 26th Instant, at 10 a.m., instead of as previously advertised. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, April 24, 1877.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 24, Sorsogon, Spanish steamer, 174, J. Checa, Manila April 20, General. Vogel, HAGEDORN & Co. April 24, Braemar Castle, British steamer,

1424, Ayles, Saigon April 20, Rice.-ADAMSON, BELL & Co. April 24, State of Louisiana, British steamer, 1216, D. H. Johnston, R.N.R., Salgon April 20, Rice. - JARDINE, MATHE-

DEPARTURES.

Apr. 24, Zambesi, for Shanghal. 24, Nuevo Constante, for Manila.

OLEARED.

Corinne, for Bangkok. Anglo Saxon, for London. State of Louisiana, for Amoy. Viscount McDuff, for Chefoo.

> PASSENGERS. ARRIVED.

Per Sorsogon, from Manila, Mr Geo. Per Braemar Castle, from Saigon, Mr D. B. Grant, and 12 Chinese. Per State of Louisiana, from Saigon, 18 Chinese.

DEPARTED. Per Zambesi, for Shanghai, Mr and Mrs Schönfield, Mrs Lemarchand, Miss Robinson, Dr. Huppé, Messra P. Dank, F. Park, and E. Gammon.

To DEPART. Per State of Louisiana, for Amoy, . European.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Spanish steamer Sorsogen reports ! Fine weather all the way until nearing Hongkong, when had dark cloudy weather. The British steamer State of Louisiana reports | Left Saigon on the 20th inst., had experienced very fine weather and light winds from N. E. and S.E. until we made the Ladrones, from thence to this port beavy rain and fogs, with thunder and lightning. Arriving here at 7.30 a.m.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close :-For NICOLAJEFSK.-

Per Schooner UZZIAH, at 4.30 p.m. To morrow, the 25th inst.

For BANGKOK .-day, the 25th inst.

All that PIECE or PARCEL of For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW .-Per DOUGLAS, at 9.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 26th inst., instead of as previously notified.

or STRAITS SETTLEMENTS .-

Per GADSHILL, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 26th inst., instead of as previously notified.

MAILS BY THE FREMCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet IRAOU ADDY, will be despatched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 28th Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Marseilles; to Salgon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras,

Alexandria. The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :--

Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and

Friday, 27th Inst .-

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night. Saturday, 28th Inst.-

A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. 11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late

11.10 A.M., Lettors (but Letters only) may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra

postago, until 11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely.

Hongkong, April 19, 1877.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET .--DY, will be despatched with the Mails

for Europe, de., on SATURDAY, the 8th May. The following will be the hours of elesing the Mallo, do. :--

inyō | Friday, 4th May.--5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.

6 P.M., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night. Stiturday, 5th May....

A.M., Post Office oppns for of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late

Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. (10.18 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FEE of 18 cents entra

Postage till 111 A.M., when the Post Office CLUSES entirely.

(11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,

11.50 A is., when the Mail is finally Hopgkong, April 24, 1877.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close:

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet GAELIO will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 1st May, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, and London, which will be closed as follows :-

2 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases. 2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes.

2.30 P.M. Correspondence for Japan or the United States only may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

2.50 P.M. when the Mail is finally closed. Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepald will be sent by British Packet. Hongkong, April 18,-1877.

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING. The following is corrected from the latest London Papers :-

DEPARTURES. Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong-Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to Nov. 28, Madura, from Cardiff to Hong-

Nov. 28. Hannah Law, from Cardiff to Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hong-Dec. 4, Benclutha, from Cardiff to Hong-Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to

Dec. 17. Cerricks, from London to Hong-Dec. 19, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hong-Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hong-

Dec. 28, 1no, from Greenock to Swatow. Dec. 28, John Nicholson, from New York to Shanghai. Dec. 27, Undine, from London to Shanghai.

Dec. 29, Canaan, from Cardiff to Hong-Jan. 4, C. R. Bishop, from London to Hongkong.

Jan. 11, Windhover, from London to Jan. 12, Woodhall, from Hamburg to Hong-

Jan. 12, Hope, from London to Hongkong. Jan. 16, Gryfe, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Jan. 18, Batavia, from Hamburg to Hong-Jan. 31, Forward Ho, from London to

Feb. 1, Robert Henderson, from Buryport to Hongkong. Feb. 2, Polynesia, from Cardiff to Hong-

kong. Feb. 5, Carrizal, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Per DANUBE, at 5 p.m., on Wednes- Feb. 8, Daphne, from London to Hong-

Feb. 12, Leading Wind, from Antwerp to Hongkong Feb. 17, Therese Behn, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Feb. 19, Cactus O., from Cardiff to Hong-Feb. 19, F. P. Lichfield, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Feb. 19, Maipu, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Feb. 20, Penrith, from London to Hong-Feb. 22, Enid, from London to Hongkong. Feb. 22, Osaka, from London to Hongkong.

Feb. 22, Belted Will, from London to Shanghai. Feb. 25, Argentino (str.), from London to China and Japan.

Feb. 27, Gold Hunter, from Cardiff to

Feb. 28, City of Aberdeen, from London to Colony, but it would seem that half Shanghai. Feb. 28, D. McB. Park, from Sunderland

to Singapore and Hongkong. Feb. 28, Janet Ferguson, from Glasgow to Singapore and Hongkong. March 1, Isles of the South, from Cardiff to

March 1, Brown Brothers, from Cardiff to

March 2, Paracca, from Cardiff to Hong- abstruseness which usually distinguish

March 8, Caller Ou, from Cardiff to Shang- is only Lieutenant-Governor of Hong-

March 4, Jala, from Cardiff to Hongkong. March 9, Lord Macaulay, from Cardiff to next month, but in the meantime Hong-Hongkong.

March 7, Alcestis, from Cardiff to Chefoo, March 10, Sir Lancelot, from London to Shanghai.

March 11, Deucalion (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai, (left Singapore, April 20.) March 18, Golden Spur, from Cardiff to Hongkong. March 16, Bessie Morris, from Swanses to

March 16, Antwerp, from London to Hong: LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS

At London.—Steamers via Sues Canal Teviot. Candia. Elgin. Scindia. Glenfinise. Stod Ameterdam

Duke of Abercorn. Soindia. Commissary. Melbrek. Kaisow.

James Shepherd At Liverpool. Ajax (str.) C. W. Cochtane. Priain (str.) Henry S, Sanford, General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, April 26:-10 a.m. - Douglas leaves for Coast Ports. 3 p.m - Gadshill leaves for Singapore

and Penany. 4.30 p.m.—Meeting of Seat-holders of St. John's Cathedral. Goods per Sindh undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

FRIDAY, April 27:-Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Messra Lane, Crawford & Co. Goods per Feronia undelivered after this date subject to rent. Goods per Gleneagles undelivered after

SATURDAY, April 28:-

this date subject to rent.

9 p.m.-Meeting of Zetland Lodge. Tartar leaves for Shanghai and Hankow on or about this date. Goods per Zambesi undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, April 30:-

2 p m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at Mr F. Peil's residence, Praya East.

TUESDAY, May 1:-3 p.m,—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co. Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

WEDNESDAY, May 2:-

at the Court House.

BATURDAY, May 5:-Noon,-English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

TUEBDAY, May 8:-Noon.—Sale of Ground, at Sow-kei-wan. TUESDAY, May 15:-3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yoko-

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW

hama and San Francisco.

Auction. 2 p.m .- Furniture Sale, at Lane, Crawford's, Queen's Road.

Shipping. Panay leaves for Manila on or about this

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The publication of this issue commenced

THE CHINA MAIL. HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 1877.

Ir must be now somewhere about six months since His Excellency Mr John Pope Hennessy received notice of his appointment to the Governorship of this year is not sufficient time for Her Majesty's Government to prepare letters-patent of his commission. must confess that when we caught the term "Lieutenant-Governor" during the reading of His Excellency's commission at the ceremony in the Council Chamber yesterday, we concluded that we either misunderstood the application of the March 1, Khedive, from Antwerp to Hong- expression, or that its presence was due to the wonderful circumlocution and official documents, and as frequently March 8, A. S. Davis, from Cardiff to signify nothing. It is, however, that Mr John Pope Hennessy kong at the present moment. March 4, Nimbus, from Cardiff to Hong- understand that the letters-patent conferring on him the title and powers of Governor are expected here within the kong must try to get along with a believe is the distinguishing feature in the preparation of letters-patent, is no doubt a very important proceeding, but we decline to believe that it cannot be accomplished in a satisfactory and thoroughly dignified manner within the anace of six months. To speak plainly we think it is perfectly discreditable to the responsible authorities in Downing Street that Mr Hennessy should have been sent out here without his letters. patent as Governor of this Colony. The proceeding is unfair to Mr Hennessy because he comes here shorn of his proper title, and is almost made to appear as if he were here on probation; it is also unfair to Hongkong, because we, as first-class Colony, enjoying the privilege of paying a military contribution of over £20,000 a year, and other similar prefogetives, possess the right to have a fully

titled Governor at our head. His Hx-

deliency, in the course of his speech

yesterday, said that "there is no Colons

in the British Empire superior to Hong.

kong in the fact that it is, perhaps, all the distant portions of the British Empire, the most important in its commercial transactions," and as we have the assurance of our local contemporary that this speech "was modest but manly, neither egotistical nor pompous," we can do nothing less than call upon the Home Government for explanations in regard to this unaccountable dilatoriness. Seriously, the speech of His Excellency is calculated to give great natinfaction to the mercantile community of Hongkong. The life and spirit of this Colony is its mercantile transactions; take away its trade with the mainland, and Hongkong becomes reduced to a few barren, miserable rocks, with products insufficient to support half-a-dozen Chinamen. If His Excellency makes it his special aim "to promote, and, if need be, to protect those commercial relations," he and the community here will, we feel assured, get along exceedingly well together.

WE have received the Customs reports on the trade at the various Treaty Ports in China for 1875. It is a pity that these reports are not published a little earlier, because returns of trade for 1875 are obviously not of so much value 11 a.m. - Meeting of Creditors in re towards the middle of 1877 as they would George Frank Graham, a Bankrupt, have been say twelve months ago. The ably with that carried on during the deputation withdraw. previous two years. Exclusive of treasure, the total value of the imports and exports smounted to Tls. 25,384,915, against Tls. 21,202,743 in 1874, and Tis. 23,691,923 in 1873. The value of foreign goods imported during the year amounted to Tls. 4,209,857, against Tls. 2,596,469 in 1874, and Tis. 5,680,806 in 1873. The enormous decrease this branch of the trade in 1874, as compared with previous years, was due not to a decline in the amount of business done, but to a diversion of the carrying trade from foreign to native bottoms. This change was brought about in the latter part of 1873 on account of the native Custom House offering certain facilities by which cotton could be imported cheaper in native boats than by foreign vessels; that is to say, the duty charged on cotton arriving in native boats was less than tariff rates. In regard to chipping a marked increase in both the entries and clearances during the year is to be noted. In 1875, 867 vessels of 415.807 tons entered, against 701 vessels of 345,433 tons in 1874, and 757 vessels of 328,521 tons in 1873; no steamer cleared at Canton for foreign countries. Of sailing ships 12, of 7,800 tons, cleared for London; 12, of 7,194 tons, for New York; 9, of 3,207 tons, for Hamburg; 2, of 1,060 tons, for English Channel for orders; 2, of 746 tons, for Trieste; 1, of 364 tons, for Falmouth for orders, and 1, of 344 tons, for Bremen. The total value of native goods, especially peas and rice, imported during the year 1875, not including reexports, shows a marked increase as compared with the years 1873 and 1874. This was chiefly in consequence of the wants occasioned through the failure of the local crops in the autumn of 1874 and the spring of 1875.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

H.M.S. Hornet, Comdr. Hippisley, which arrived in harbour from Amoy on Sunday, will return to that port on Friday next.

WE are informed by the Agents (Messra

Jardine. Matheson & Co.) that the S. S. Argentino left Singapore for this port on Monday, the 23rd instant, p.m. THE heavy thunderstorm which passed over the island this morning so damaged the performed female characters. The de-

telegraphic land-line between Victoria and

Deep Bay that considerable delay was

caused in the delivery of telegraphic

WE are glad to learn that Commodore Watson, R.N., Senior Officer on this Naval Station, has received a good service pension. This fact, we are sure, will give general satisfaction to the Commodore's well-wishers in the service, as well as his many friends

outside of it.

THE adjourned, inquest on the body of Tsang a Kew and her Son, How a Kan, who were crushed to death by the falling in of a hoat-shed in which they took shelter from a rainstorm at Tai-kok-taul Lieutenant-Governor. The affizing of 22nd instant, was resumed this afternoon, the Great Seal of England, which we and after evidence, the jury returned a verdict of "accidental death."

We are requested to state that His Excel-

lency the Lieut. Governor will hold a leves

on Tuesday, the 1st May, at 2.80 p.m., at

which members of the community are in-

vited to attend. Mrs Hennessy will afterwards hold a reception in the Government House Grounds at 4 o'clock. Gentlemen Frishing to attend the levee are requested to bring with them two cards to be handed to the sides-de-camp in waiting, with their names legibly written thereon. We hear from Macao that a severe storm of thunder, lightning and hall passed over that city about 6 o'clock this morning. The

hail stones are said to have been as large as

a Chinese clive, and no small damage to glass

resulted from the amort shower. Several of

the skylights of the Macao steamer were

cracked or broken; and an old Macao resident asserts that for the last half century no such event has taken place, in his recol-

This morning, at 11 a.m., a deputation of the Naval Officers on the Station waited on His Excellency, at Government House, for the purpose of paying their respects to him. Among those present were Commodore Watson, Secretary Robinson, Captains Smith and Buller, C.B., Commanders Hippisley and Heather, Lieutenant Stirling, and Messrs Bremner, Jorey, and

Subsequently, at 11:30, a deputation from the Consular Body in the Colony waited on His Excellency. Mr D. H. Bailey introduced the deputation in a few appropriate remarks. His Excellency received his official visitors very cordially, and said he believed the relations between the Consular Body and the Colonial Government had heen hitherto very friendly, and he hoped they would continue Whenever it was in his power, he should be always happy to render them any assistance they might require, and he was open to receive them at any time trade at the port of Canton for the year and without any formality. After the under review seems to compare favour- exchange of some friendly conversation the

> THE following letter has been forwarded to us for publication by the Colonial Secretary. There certainly was some irritation abroad among the community at the delay in the appearance of Mr Austin, as several letters we received on the subject yesterday for publication would testify. Our esteemed Colonial Secretary, however, has always been noted for his punctuality, and we have no doubt the explanation he courteously affords will be accepted as satisfactory:-

Colonial Secretary's Office, April 24, 1877. SIR,—The Community will I know acquit me of any intentional disregard of their convenience and comfort in the detention caused by me on Sunday evening last,but nevertheless it is right that I should express publicly my regret at the delay which occurred.

Unfortunately I had placed too much

confidence in early telegraphic intelligence

of the approach of the mail steamer, but as,

owing to the mist, her actual arrival was

Dear Sir.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL"

only notified to me at 5.40, I was unable to reach the Wharf simultaneously, as I had arranged, with the launch. Will you do me the favor to insert this explanatory note in your paper and oblige.

> Your's truly, J. GARDINER AUSTIN.

Police Intelligence. (Both Magistrates Sitting.) April 24, 1877.

DESTROYING TREES. Chow Man Fook, a gardener, again appeared to answer the charge of maliciously destroying certain trees and shrubs in the Protestant Cemetery. Edward Thompson, the keeper of the Cemetery, stated that the defendant was formerly unemployed as a grave-digger. He was discharged last May because some shells had been removed from a tombstone, and he was suspected. Since his discharge the trees had been three times maliciously destroyed, some being uprooted and others out down. He only suspected the defendant and had no evidence against him. There was another gravedigger, who was discharged in January last.

Discharged. A THEFT IN THE GREEN-ROOM Ow Atow, a hawker, was charged with having gone into the Ko-shing Theatre to the room where the actors dressed them. selves, and stolen therefrom a pair of silver ear-rings, the property of an actor who

flight. Two months' hard labour.

fendant threw away the ear-rings in his

A LATY WORKMAN. Yeung Achap, a foreman in charge of a gang of street sweepers, was charged by Inspector McKinney with neglecting his work. The Scavenging Contractor was bound by his contract to send men out during rainy weather to see that the drain traps were not choked up, and the defendant was in charge of one of the gangs, who were supposed to clean out the drain trap near the Hongkong Club this morning, but when the Inspector passed by he saw it nearly choked, so that the water was flooding the road, and the defendant was standing under the Supreme Court verandah, while his men were taking shelter under that of the Hougkong Dispensary. The defendant said he was going to clean the Supreme Court. The case was remanded till the 80th April, and the defendant was cautioned.

LARGENY. Ching Tean Hoi, fisherman, and Str

Tam Mul, his wife, were charged with stealing a quantity of opium from one Mok Afat, the master of a junk who came here with some salt from Ping Chow for sale. He had to pay duty to the Chinese Authoritles at the rate of three candaresns per picul, and he also paid tasts 2.4 as rea muneration or perquisite to the person who weighed the salt. He sold the salt here and received as part payment a quantity of opium. He took it on board with one Low Apo, who came here in the junk with This morning he found that the opium was stolen, and Low Apo not on buard. A small boat was also missed. Enquiries were made, and the small boat was seen tied to the storn of the defendant's junk. He had his suspicious aroused and went on board with the Police. After the 1st defendant was arrested, the 2nd defendant produced the opium. She said during the absence of her husband from the junk, Low Apo came and wanted to deposit some opinm. She refused and he then went away. The opitim now found must have been alvly put on board by Low Apo. The case was remanded,

SUPREME COURT. IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. (Before the Chief Justice Sir John Smale.) 24th April, 1877.

A Ling v. A. N. Love, \$101.55.—This was a claim by a Chinese tailor. The defendant admitted the debt, but the reason he gave for not paying was that he had no money at present. He was a master mariner, and when he had money, he told the plaintiff to come for it. He had never come, and the result was that he had lent the money to Mr Anthony, of Messrs Broadbear, Anthony & Co., when he was in difficulties. Mr Anthony had been adjudicated a bankrupt, and the defendant stood in the list of the bankrupt's schedule as a creditor for \$300. He could not pay now, but would do so as soon as he go employment. Judgment for the plaintiff.

Chaung Chai v. Ng Wing Sek, \$1,000 .-The claim was on two promissory notes, which the defendant admitted. He said he got the money in order to carry on the work of building the Cosmopolitan Dock, and Messra Spratt & Co. owed him more than \$10,000 now. An arrangement had been come to whereby he would receive a certain amount every month, and when he got his money he would pay the plaintiff Judgment for the plaintiff, but execution was not to be issued without the special order of the Court.

Mr Wotton appeared for the plaintiff.

Wong Yin v. Mak Wah Chan, \$8.50.and five pitchforks, lent to the defendant. A deal of evidence was taken, and his Lordship took great pains to arrive at the truth, as there appeared at the outset to be hard swearing on one side or the other, and he was determined to find out the guilty party. The plaintiff and the defendant, it seems, -were shopkeepers at Taikok-tsui, British Kowloong. The defendant borrowed the articles of the plaintiff to assist him in his trade of breaming boats. the things of him, as they belonged to one Chung Fat Po. The plaintiff admitted that the things originally belonged to Chung Fat Po, but he had run away and left the things in the shop. He owed the Sugar for London. - Mercantile Review. landlord some rent and the plaintiff took over the liability with the understanding that he was to keep the things. In addition to this indebtedness, Chung Fat Po owed the plaintiff some money for goods sold, so that the blocks &c. were kept as security also. But the weak points in the defendant's story were the contradictory statements of the defendant and his witness. He said Chung Fat Po's son handed him the things, while Chung Fat Po said he himself handed them to the defendant. There were other minor discrepancies which shewed plainly that the defendant's story was to a certain extent concected. Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff and sent the defendant to one month's imprisonment for contempt of Court. His

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE TURKISH QUESTION. To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Canton, 24th April, 1877. Sir,-On the evening of the 7th of

November I drew a coup d'ail of the situation resulting from the protracted diplomatic campaign as seen from my point of view, in the light of telegrams down to that of October 20th, the latest at hand, at that very moment; and if you will permit me to refer you thereto, you will find in your issue of the 9th idem that the central point of the view was presented as follows:-"The Turk shall be compelled by others

to relax his grasp of the Christians of his European provinces, at least; and thus Mohammedanism experience a material and moral check that subserves England's interests in India, whilst she does not appear in antagonism to it. She neither forfeits her place as the champion of humanity, nor impairs her rule over Mohammedan sub-

And now that the event of the hour presents the reality of our vision, what need that we portray the varying lights and shadows of the scene that for nearly six months have seemed to mock all the resources of diplomacy and all the hopes of humanity? Happily the pencil is not now withheld by a horror of the atrocities that before forbade realistic portrayal. But now that the tension of suspense is relaxed, we may again be permitted to give rein to conjecture, lest events quite outstrip our

thought. According to such light as we yet have, the actual programme seems about as follows:-Bulgaria is to be annexed to Roumania, forming a Confederation; Bosnia is to be governed by an Austrian Archduke: Herzegovina is to be given to Montenegro Stara-Servia annexed to Servia; Thessaly and Epirus to Greece; leaving to the Turks Constantinople and Roumelia. COSMOPOLITAN.

Manila.

as follows :--Imports. -- From 7th to 16th inst. -- Hemo 21,120 pols., Indigo 90 boxes, Rice 42,628 cavs., Sugar 36,728 pols., Coffee 2,627 pols., Paddy 4,760 cavs., Sapanwood 3,560 pels., Cawrien 58 cavs.

Emports.—From 7th to 17th inst.—Hemp 28,376 pols., Indigo 120 pols., Do liquid casks, Sugar 45,895 pols., Coffee 771 pols., M. O. P.Shell 190 pols., Hides 127 Cigars 569 mils , Rope 409 pols., Sapanwood 5,186 pcls., Leaf tobacco 18,800

Exchange. -- Hongkong (eight) 6 p. cent. discount; Amoy (sight) of per cent. dis-

Freights.—The British barque Severn has been chartered to go to the Channel !. o. at \$3.10 for dry Sugar. The British ship Omba has been also

engaged for the Channel f. o. at \$8.2.6 for Sugar, and £4.10 for Hemp. The French barque Carloca has been freighted for London at £8 for Sugar, £3.5

oun accept or otherwise it would be prefor Coffee, and £4.15 a £4.10 for Hemp. The British ship Parthia has been also in mind the Abyssinian Monarth's preengaged for Liverpool at £4.7.6 Hemp. PAYMENT TO THE COLLECTION OF TOBACCO. Government Decree of this Island dated

Manila the 6th of April, 1877 !--Article 1st. Government will issue Treasury bonds to the amount of \$3,033,009,

the equivalent of the amount the Finance Department owes to the Tobacco planters for the year 1875 and 1876, and a part of

Article 2nd. These bonds will be exchanged for the receipts that actual y represent said amount and which will be immediately destroyed.

Article 3rd. The Treasury Bonds will be properly numbered and divided into various series, of different valuations to be useful for all transactions, and to be admitted for their whole value.

They may be useful for payments due on 31st December of 1876 for the Tobacco planters, for the taxes of the natives, and of the half casts, sactorum. Also for guage antee on Government Contracts for public

Article 4th. Said Government Bonds will be funded from the month of July next, at monthly public auctions, and to the extent of such an amount as the State of the Treasury will allow, and which will not be less than \$50,000 per month.

Arrivals.-April 11, Mariveles, from Singapore ; 14. Elizabeth, from Singapore and

Departures.-April 11, Salvadora, for Hougkong and Amoy, Esmeralda, for Hongkong and Amoy; 12, Mary Ann Wilson, for Liverpool, Adeline, for New York via Hollo; 15, Panay, for Hongkong, Aurrera, for Liverpool via Singapore and Cadiz; 16, Lightning, for New York, Villa de Rivadavia, for Hongkong; 17, Severn, for Fal-

Shipping in Harbour on 17th. - Parthia, Francis Amanda, Western Belle, Daniel Marcy, Carloca, Omba, Sarah Nicholson, The claim was for the value of eight blocks | Cosmopolita, Herrmann, Mariveles, and

Iloilo, April 10 .- Price current. -Sugar. -Prices were from \$4.75 to \$5, but they have lately gone down to \$4.50. Holders of the article do not wish to sell for the

Rice. - Is in little demand Pangasinan current being quoted to \$1.25 to £1.371. Sapanwood.—No transactions

Tobacco.-A good crop is expected. The Spa ish brig schooner Union arrived The defendant denied that he ever borrowed. from Hongkong with general cargo, and on the 4th inst. she left for Dumaguete: The German steamer Quarta, came in yesterday from Singapore, consigned

Messra Luchsinger & Co. to load current

The Straits. (Singapore Daily Times.)

Cholera is now raging amongst us; since yesterday morning (April 12th) five fatal cases are reported.

It is currently reported, that, owing to there being some cases of cholera reported in Malacca, the Officer commanding the troops here (Maladoa) has ordered the gate near St. Francis Xavier's Church leading to the barracks to be closed, to prevent persons crossing the Esplanade leading to the Manjah Cabah District, and has further prohibited the men belonging to the witness was allowed to go away with a 74th Regiment now stationed here from either going to Tranquerah or any thickly populated districts, or even near the General Hospital, where some cases of real cholera are reported to have taken place.

> It affords us much pleasure to record that themselves anything but indifferent to the furnished with the following list of con-

telegraph transfers :-From Teo Chew Chinese collected

From Cantonese and Macaos collected by Hon. H. A. K. Wham-

Total remitted through Govt \$9,678. Collected from Hokien Chinese and forwarded by Tan Bong Swee, Esq. 7,500

Total \$17,178.

COL-GORDON IN EGYPT. The correspondent of the Standard gives the following information respecting Col

Gordon's appointment :--'In appointing Colonel Gordon, or, as growing Biggar-Parnell despotism, tempered he is known here, Gordon Pacha, Governor General of the Soudan and of the Equatorial Provinces, the Khedive has taken the first effectual steps towards the suppression of reflects, has this evening referred to 'my the slave trade in his dominions. Whatever doubts may have been entertained as to his Highness's zeal in this cause none have ever existed as to that of the officer who has now been appointed the ruler over a large portion of Egyptian territory, nor of his de | member of Parliament publicly acknowledged termination to stamp out the traffic by in the House of Commons his kith and kin, every means in his power. It is well known | unless he was in a position to speak of 'my that it was only at the earnest entreaty of noble relative.' And to this fule we have the Khedive, and upon being promised unlimited power over the district to be committed to his charge, that Colonel come to the point, even at the risk of painful Gordon consented to return to the country. abruptness. In the stately old days, before There is also reason to believe that his re- the leap in the dark brought us into such quisitions on this point received the strong, strange company, Mr Cross's predecessor was Our trade for this last fortnight sums up though unofficial, support of the English invariably referred to as 'the right honour-Government. No matter how it may have able gentleman, the Secretary of State for been brought about, henceforth Gordon the Home Department; or-by the vast territory lying between the Second at the head of the Home Office." Cataract and the Lakes Victoria and Albert Macdonald outs the matter short and saves Nyanza, and from thence to the shores of the Red Sea, including the ports of Souakin and Massowah. Already steamers are being constructed and engineers engaged for the navigation of Albert Nyanza and other almost unknown sheets of water, whose existence has only of late years been revealed to us; and further discoveries may not world. One of the first duties entrusted to and with this object he is to sail for Massowsh within the next day or two Egyptian navy. Whether the King of

Abyssinia's terms will be such as Egypt

one can doubt that in nominating Colonel

UNDER THE CLOCK.

Wednesday, February 28.—Early prayers and the drowsy atmosphere of the House on a quiet afternoon are so conducive to pious meditation that our thoughts are on this day of the week almost invariably directed to questions involving moral and religious coniderations. Sometimes towards five o'clock we may be incited to exchange 'apostolic blows and knocks;' but for the most part we are charitable towards our Digby Grands, and tender at this season towards the little 'innocents.' There was every reason why Mr Chaplin should come down cheerfully in the full belief that his godchild, the Threshing Machines Bill, would advance smoothly onwards to its final stage. It had been received with open arms by the bucolic section of the House; nobody had spoken hersh word to it; and the sympathies of Scotch and Irish members had been specially interested in its favour. But, alas, Biggar had not been appeared, and like wicked fairy he was bent on mischief. When Mr Gladstone warned Mr Chaplin of the 'man of the next generation' who would some time cross his path, he did not contemplate the member for Cavan; nor could Mr Chaplin have been expected to recognise an enemy in the strange guise in which he now presented himself. There was doubtless something ominous in the fact that, as soon as Mr Chaplin proposed to take his Bill into Committee, Mr Biggar got up, and, beginnwith the too-familiar 'Well, Mr Speaker,' strolled leisurely up from below to above the gangway, keeping one hand in his pocket, and continuing his observations, contrary to all rule and order, as he pursued his upward peregrination. But, though his accents were harsh and grating, his smile was bland, his manner was cool, and by a stretch of imagination his bearing might have been supposed to be deferential. Moreover, when he had planted himself just behind Mr Pease, who was reposing on the front Opposition Bench, in the absence of some of Mr Mitchell Henry's 'leaders,' he addressed the member for Mid-Lincolnshire by the flattering title of 'right honourable.' Mr Chaplin was therefore not wholly indisposed to tolerate him until he threw out with a grin the pleasant suggestion that the Bill should be taken away and improved. 'For,' remarked Mr Biggar, 'he exercised his industry in a marked manner the other night by getting off a speech by heart. Hereupon indignant ories naturally interrupted Mr Biggar, who, affecting to wish to avoid all offence, added, by way of apologetic explanation, 'O, I merely mention this to show his power of going through a large amount of work-whether he was the author of that speech of course I don't know.' Sir Andrew Lusk has told us, a worm will turn; and Mr Biggar's remarks were enough to irritate the mildest of men, as he prolong. ed them with distracting composure, standing the while in an easy attitude, his coat thrown back, his thumb fixed negligently in his waistcoat arm-hole, his eyes twinkling mischievously, and his teeth obtrusively gleaming. Every variety of angry expression struggled for the mastery of M Chaplin's face; but as the precious moments slipped away he concentrated his emotions into a deep and settled frown, and with folded arms waited the result. Mr Marten, by his side, looked perfectly scandalised as the process of 'talking out' went on. M: Biggar, with frequent glances at the clock, was wandering through the clauses of the Bill, and protesting against a measure which the Chinese Community here have proved | he alleged could only cause a dreadful waste of valuable time. He confessed that he knew distressing accounts of the sufferings from more about butter than the subject of the Bill, famine of their fellow-countrymen in Shan- but for all that he was convinced it was tung in the North of China, and have re- 'bad one from first to last,' and sought sponded to the cry of distress as liberally amongst its details for matter of comment. as the Hongkong Community. The Hon'ble The Speaker's ruling that he was out of the Colonial Secretary and the Hon'bles order, Mr. Pell's complaints, and Captain Mr Whampoa have both taken an active | Nolan's remonstrances were insufficient to interest in the matter, and we have been stop him. 'Well, Mr. Speaker,' retorted the orator, 'in a matter of order, of course, tributions, which have all been remitted by I bow to your ruling; and there's not the slightest doubt that the Speaker has said have no right to speak against the details of the Bill; but this paragraph raises a question which which (and here there was scornful laughter at his hesitation)-' which will some day raise a debate in the House that will occupy, not five minutes, but five hours.' What this terrible principle was could not be discovered, for it was a quarter to six, and Mr Chaplin's Bill was at least temporarily done for. But the principle of Home Rule, so far as it means government according to Irish ideas, had gained another triumph. Mr Butt, speaking from his place in Parliament on Monday night, assured M Whalley that the Home Rule do not particularly desire to kill off all the other members. But if their lives are spared, they

ing the luminous body whose light he dimly Gloom descends upon Mr Percy Wyndham and his friends ! for the latest edition of the brother, the member for Birmingham.' This wisdom of the ages remains a closed book. is another insidious move towards revolution and anarchy, but amidst the universal anxiety to hear Mr Butler-Johnstons it has passed unnoticed. Never until now has a adhered in defiance of the tendency of these busy times to avoid circumlocution, and Pacha will practically reign supreme over variety-the right honourable gentleman time by alluding to the 'Ome Sectary and Mr Bigger would as soon call him, as any other member, 'That gen'l'man.' is not so much harm in these expressions, because, as we have it this week on the joint authority of Dr. Kenesly and Raikes, anything may be said about public functionaries. But how about those who unreasonably be looked for which will open cannot get anything from the Treasury by up fresh channels for the commerce of the way of compensation for labk of ceremony Who in future will propitiate Truto's im-Gordon is the delicate task of perious representative by craving information arranging the terms of peace between his of the honourable and gallant gentleman, neighbour, King John, and the Ehedive, the member for the Metropolitan Board of Works;' and what will save the honourable and learned knight, the member for the city in the corvette Latif, belonging to the of Oxford, from being dubbed in eatnest, as he has already been called by a pardonable lapsus lingues, the member for Harcourt' Boon we shall have Mr Samuelson senior mature at present to say, though bearing proudly drawing attention to My son, ar; and Mr. Samuelson junior extolling the thitorial art of My honoured parent, the dilections for England and Englishmen, no author of my being. An offert should have been made at once to check such a dangerous Gordon to be the negotiator the Khedive has done much to render a favourable policy of levelling down but we are still result possible."

Teault possible."

must be ready to submit to the rapidly

Friday Night. -Mr Jacob Bright, indicat-

by Mr Cowen.

twelve months have we longed for the oracle approaches when the silence will be broken. The way has been made very plain before Streams of rhetoric poured on our us. Mr. Percy Wyndham has spoken his piece very nicely, and received the reward of merit. That most promising of young Mr. Baillic-Cochrane, 'obliquely pointed to the path of catety, and blessed us with his counsel, has gone home to dine. and still we linger. For hours no one had admiring worshippers have gradually stolen Ministers. But, save when an occasional lopes him and overything around. which, escaping too soon would blind us with oint of expectation, when Mr Bourke, unthe witching hour. Mr Butler-Johnstone descendants. springs to his feet and moves the adjournheart of Mr Biggar is touched by our emo- panion of the Turk in every occupation, tion; and taking the direction of affairs out how earnest and important soever it may of the unresisting grasp of the Chancellor of be. In the Supreme Porte, in the Ministethe Exchequer, he demands that Mr Butler- terial Council, where the Turkish grandees Johnstone shall, without further delay, debate regarding the welfare of their fatherspeak to the main issue, and then take a land, which extends over three-quarters of division.' Such a beheat, as addressed to the globe, the question was once discussed the member for Canterbury, is preposterous. | whether, during the consideration of State He must be treated gently, like a restive affairs, the tschibuktschis (pipe-bearers) horse or a spoiled child; and a more judi- should not be excluded. Great was the cious effort is immediately made to induce difference of opinions; long was the contest him to relent. Sir S. Northcote pleads between the yearning of the palate and the with him; Mr Walpole seems inclined sense of propriety; till at last was victorious to try the effect of tearful intercession; Mr | the sentiment of some corpulent members, Baillie-Cochrane, having renewed his youth | who thought that it would be wrong to more than ever, urges him to go in and reject ignominiously the old custom, and win; while Mr Bromley-Davenport crosses that the blameless tschibuktschis must be the gangway with persuasive design. It permitted, as before, to enter the chamber is all in vain. Mr Butler-Johnstone will and give the needful attention to the pipes. be content with nothing less than a special And yet all members knew very well that sitting in his honour. Legislative business, this resolution was pregnant with mischief public and private, must be thrust on one and danger, for the cunning servants, while side to make room for the member for Can- busy with the pipes, snatch up with quick terbury, or his treasures shall for ever be ear many a secret of State, and before even withheld. Lord Hartington's hints and the the Sultan and the official world have any Chevalier O'Clery's blandishments are alike knowledge of the decisions of the Supreme thrown away; and there is no alternative Council, many weighty debates and decrees but to decide by division the imperial ques- have already (through the pipe-bearers) tion whether Mr Butler-Johnstone shall be been divulged. Consequently, the tschiheard on his own terms. To the intense buktschi is, next to the servant of the disgust of the Maritime Leaguers, the House harem, the most valuable reporter whom secrets of his bosom, if, after reflection in the division lobby, he should be graciously

' sits Mr. Butler-Johnstone. with the

PIPES AND TOBACCO IN TURKEY. (Cope's Tobacco Plant.)

a sarcastic tone, Sir H. Wolff, not over-

pleased, abruptly withdraws his motion.

In Roumelia, in the very home of the great Macedonian, Alexander, grows the king of tobaccos, and especially in a small place called Jendische Bardar, situated to the south-east of Salonica (Thessalonica). This small brownish yellow plant is allowed to dry for weeks, yes, often for months after it has been gathered; then it is packed in small bales (bogtsche), and not till it has remained for years in the storehouse of the tobacco merchant is it honoured by the holds in his hand. The pasha can, like Stamboul nicotian epicures with the name the chimney of a steamer, throw forth of "aala gobeck." The tobacco, cout as small as the fidest silk, is thereupon in hot request in the imperial palace, in the gephyrs, to flow from his lips, and he must sovereign harem, and likewise in where the Ministerial Council, in the midst of ascending arcmetic clouds of smoke, discusses State affairs. The pipes, stalk as well as monthpiece, which are used for the enjoyment of this best of all tobaccos, are with great care both chosen and kept. The clay head must bear the mark of Hassan, a noted maker at Findekli, a suburb of Constantinople. The long jessemine stalk, with its sliken velvety bark, must dome from the Broussa planta. tions. The mouthpieds, of bright transparent amber, is carved after the most approved fashion; its "sivaria" (the thin shank on which it is fixed) has come from the hands of some most accomplished turner: Such perfect emoking requisites and this best of all tobacco are deemed worthy of each other; and when pipe and nuisance, and presently Jones related his tobacco are both of the first quality, the pipe-attendant (tschibuktschi) must be immensely deft in the performence of his

astonishment, observed the proceedings of

We sigh in vain till midnight. Support- | the tschibuktschi, and especially the prodi- | buy a dog, and I brought one around for you. ed by Blue-books, pamphlets, and manu- | gious care he displays in placing symmetri- | You tell that dog to watch a thing, and bet adripts, 'high on a throne of his own labours | cally together the various parts of the pipe. | your life he'll sit down and watch until he The clay head, filled some days before, and | goes stone blind. Now, I'll tell you what, suppliant Commons beneath him. For full enriched with a fringe-like ornament, is I'll let you have--." I out his remarks deposited in a tin box. Frequently I heard | short at this point with the information that to speak; and, as we fondly hope, the hour it asserted that the taste of the tobacco I didn't want a dog, and that if I had depended on the form and the size of the wanted a dog, nothing on earth would induce piece of burning chargoal placed on it, and | me to accept that particular dog. So he left the tschibuktschi, when kindling the pipe, and went down the street. He must have unresisting ears all night have reduced us to | rakes with his tong; in the coal-pan till he | made a mistake and come in again through the condition of a debating club, and con- has found a flat round piece. Though the the back gate, thinking it was another fused memories of speech-day throng upon Turk finds it all quite natural, yet it is a place; for in a few minutes the cook said comical spectacle to follow the attendant in | there was a man in the kitchen who wanted the discharge of his various duties. Hold- to see me, and when I went down there was ing the long pipe in his right hand, and the the same man with the same dog. He didn't round brass dish in his left, the attendant recognise me, and as soon as I entered, he waddling to the mark in view,' having moves with serious face and with measured remarked: "I say, old pard, somebody was step toward his master. At a distance from saying that you wanted to buy a watch dog. his master, which is exactly equal to the Now, here's a watch dog that would rather Mr. Grant Duff has piped unto us, and we length of the pipe stalk, he kneels. He watch than eat any time. Give that dog have not danced. Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice | puts down the brass dish, then he places | something to fasten his eyes on-don't care has drenched us with a torrent of words; the pipe on the dish; then, describing a what it is-anything from a plug hat to a half-circle with the stalk, he inserts the skating rink—and there he stays like it was ventured to approach Mr. Butler-Johnstone. | mouthpiece with the utmost accuracy be-Glances of entreaty have been directed tween the open lips of his master. While you what I'll do with-... I suddenly into him from all parts of the House; the master is taking hold of the stalk the formed him, in a peremptory tone, that attendant rises from the floor, and he has nothing would induce me to purchase a dog nearer and more near to the place he scarcely retreated a step, when a cloud of at that moment, and then I walked him out occupies upon the second bench behind smoke, sent forth by a deep breath, enve- and shut the door. When he was gone, I scornful smile has for a second lighted first draw is deemed insignificant; the up his pale countenance, and flashed about second and third are reckoned the best; his sensitive lips, he has made no responsive the fourth is regarded as bad; the fifth is sign. The bottled sunbeams of this brain, | thoroughly despised by the nicotian epicure. Of the deceased Sultan Abdul Medschid, his heels. When he reached the porch he their dazzling effulgence, are corked down I have heard it said that of a pipe he never said, not recognising me, "I say, pardner, with stern unrelenting purpose until the took more than three draws; also the former | the man across the street there told me you appointed time. At last the dapper little ForeignM inister, Aali Pasha, never smoked wanted a good watch dog, and I came right figure which enshrines the soul of the mem- a pipe out. What remains, and is despised over with this splendid animal. Look at him! ber for Canterbury moves. Fixing his eyes by the dainty smoker, is a delicate morsel Never saw an eye like that in a dog, now, upon the Speaker, he bends slightly forward; for the servants in waiting. That which | did you? Well, now, when this dog fixes his fingers beat a restless tattoo on his for the refined taste of the Turk is too that eye on anything it remains. There it knees; in another moment he will be upon | rough and sharp, is delicious to the course | stays. Earthquakes or fires or torohlight his legs, and the intellectual mine will gums of the wild Anatolian, who likes processions or bones or nothing kin induce explode. We are wrought up to the highest | something which bites his tongue sharply. | him to move. Therefore, what I say is that As every one uses his own pipe, we must I offer you this dog for-" Then I got up onscious of the promising state of things not be astonished that this instrument has in silence and walked deliberately out into sehind him, intervenes. As a rule, we are become an indispensable nade mecum for the street and left the man standing there. always pleased to see Mr Bourke, but his every man of rank. In effect, the pipe is As I reached the sidewalk I saw Butterwick appearance at a juncture of delightful for ever found in close proximity to the going into Colonel Dunk's law office just excitement is a decided damper. Instead Turk. To wait upon his pipe, the man of below my house. I went over after him, of the burning eloquence of Mr Butler- | rank keeps two, and sometimes even three, Johnstone, we have to put up with servants. One servant has to look after opposite direction. Butterwick was in the commonplace matter-of-fact statements, ex- the home arrangements; another acpressed in faint treble notes, indefinite companies his master when he goes riding empty I sat down in a chair until he got as an echo, and sad as the wailing of an or walking. The long stem is carried in a through with Dunks and came out. In a infant banshee. The voice of the Under- | beautifully ornamented cloth bag; the head | few minutes there was a rap at the door. Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs is of the pipe, the tobacco, and the other said: "Come in." The door slowly opened, idmirably adapted to the reading of des- accessories are contained in a pouch which and a dog crept in. Then the man appeared. patches, conveying, as it does, the notion of hangs by the servant's side. A foreigner diplomatic secrets transmitted sotto voce in Constantinople often contemplates with from a far country, and rather exhausted by curiosity a proud Ottoman proceeding on the journey; but it is no more inspiriting | foot or on horseback, followed by a servant than the conversation of that imaginary with this long, well-packed instrument, personage who defies ventriloquists from the | who, from the sirs he gives himself, looks inmost recesses of a chimney and sets at like the armour bearer of some gallant naught peremptory commands to 'come blade on the way to a first fight. How Having endured Mr Bourke, we times change! What the armour-bearer suffer the infliction of Sir William Har- was to the old warlike races, the court's robustious harangue. And then, at tschibuktschi is now to the effeminate It is not an uncommon thing to see a ment of the debate. A grean of anguish Turk smoke from sixty to eighty pipes tells of the downfall of all hopes. Even the daily. The pipe is the indispensable com-

refuses to prostrate itself any lower. One journalists and ambassadorial dragomans more chance remains. Sir H. Wolff chival- can find. How often have I seen a proud rously comes to the rescue, and makes a Levantine, who, in his contempt for the proposition which will still enable the rest of the world, seemed as if he would member for Canterbury to divulge the strike the stars with his nose, cringing and crawling in the most abject fashion before a tschibuktschi, in order to entice him to pleased to do so. He remains obdurately communicate some important secret, or to dumb. The patience of the House is utterly furnish a glance into some valuable exhausted; and at the suggestion of Lord document. That this playing the part of Hartington, who for the first time assumes the go-between is for the pipe bearer lucrative affair needs not be said. What alone, what exclusively, makes the techibuktschi the alter ego of his master is tho boundless love of smoking which distinguishes the Turks. Tobacco and pipes are thus not merely the distinctive tokens of the different ranks, but of the gradations of particular ranks. A Muschir (marshal) would think it altogether unsuitable to smoke with a pipe shorter than two ells, while the handicraftsman, or the official of a lower order, would be deemed presumptuous if his pipe-stem transcended the measure of that habitual with his class. The grandee, in contact or contrast with the man of low degree, can parade his pipe to its full length; but the man of low degree, modestly thrusting aside or concealing the instrument, must not show more of it than the mouthpiers which he clouds of smoke, but the subordinate must only allow small circles of smoke, light as co in his humility contrive it that the smoke-does not go in front of him, but turns backwards. In the presence of a grandee, not to smoke is regarded as a testimony of respect. This sign of respect a son is likewise expected to show toward g father | and a well-trained and wellmannered son is he regarded who, spite of the reposted request of his father, refuses to smeke

Dur reporter was out at Hoxborough looking up an item, when he chanced to meet Jones, who was just entering his front gate. Jones asked him in, and the conversation tilrned upon the subject of the tramp experience with a tramp as follows :-- One day, recently, a rough-looking vagabond called at my house, adcompanied by a forlors, mongrel dog. I came out upon the porch to see him, and he said; "I say, pardner, I understand that you wanted to

chained with a trace chain. Now. I'll tell went across to see Butterwick about topdressing my grass plot. He was out, and I sat down on the porch chair to wait for him. A second later the porprietor of the dog came shuffling through the gate with the dog at while the man with the dog went in the back office, and as the front room was He didn't seem to know me. He said: "I say, old pardy, I dunno your right name. I'm trying to sell a gorgeous watch dog-that one there-and I thought maybe you might be hungry to get a valuable animal who kin watch the head off any other dog in this yer country, so I concluded to call and throw him away at the ridiculous sum of-" "I wouldn't have him at any price." "What! don't want him! Don't want a dog with an eye like a two-inch augur that'll sit and watch a thing for forty years if you tell him to! Don't want a don like that?" "Certainly, I don't." "Well, this is singular. There don't appear to be a demand for watch dogs in this place, does there? You're the fourth man I've tackled about him. You really don't want him?" "Of course not." "Don't want any kind of a dog-not even a litter of good pups or a poodle?" "No, sir." "Well, maybe you could lend me five dollars on that dog. I'll pay you back to-morrow." " Can't do it." Will you take him as a gift and give me a chaw of terbacker?" "I don't chew." 'Very strange," he muttered, thoughtfully. 'There's no encouragement for a man in this world. Sure you won't take him?" "Yes, certain." "Then, you miserable whelp, get out of here, or I'll kick the breath out of you. Come now, git!" And he gave the dog a kick that sent him into the middle of the street, and then withdrew himself. The trade in dogs is certainly not active in Roxborough,-Philadelphia Bulletin.

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